



October 19, 10:00 AM
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Confirmation Kickoff Sunday

Please fill out the blue Pew Attendance Pad and drop the paper in the collection plate during the offering. Prayer Request Cards will be collected during the opening hymn. The † indicates when worshippers are invited to stand if comfortable or find a posture that supports your singing/praying aloud.

Gathering Music

Andante
(Mozart)
Jon Krueger, piano

Welcome

All: No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome in our church. We will strive to love you, as God does, just the way you are.

Caring for One Another

Prelude

Seek Ye the Lord Where He May Be Found
(Karen Lafferty)
The Chancel Choir & Jon Krueger, piano

Call To Worship

One: When we set out on a journey of faith,
Unsure where it will end,

All: God, you are faithful.

One: When we come to the waters of uncertainty,

All: God, you are faithful.

One: When we wrestle in the dark alone,
not knowing if we wrestle God or some demon,

All: God, you are faithful.

† Hymn

#475 *Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing*

Call To Confession

One: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

All: Wise God, we are tempted to believe that we know best, even when you place new voices in our midst. We are tempted to dismiss the voices that challenge the way things have always been. Give us the wisdom, we pray, to learn your ways yes, from those who remember this church twenty and forty and sixty years ago, from our past and history, and also from our new members and our young people who begin journeys this day, we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Adapted from Joel 2:28

One: Hear what God says in Joel 2:28-29:

Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your children shall prophesy,
your elders shall dream dreams,
and your youths shall see visions.

On my people of all genders,
I will pour out my spirit.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

We are reconciled to God,
and we are reconciled to one another.

All: Alleluia! Amen.

† Congregation Response

#581 *Glory Be to the Father*

† Exchange of Peace

As children come forward

(Screens) *This Little Light of Mine* (v.1)

Children's Message

Doug Meyers

Sung Prayer of Illumination

#458 *Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet* (Refrain 2x)

Scripture Readings

Luke 18:1-8

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Genesis 32:22-33:4

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

All: Thanks be to God.

Homily

Wrestling at the River

Rev. David Schell

† Hymn

#297 *In Christ Called to Baptize* (vv. 1, 3 & 4)

Baptism

Welcoming of New Members by Affirmation of Faith

Confirmation Kickoff Litany

Offering

Offertory

Simply Amazing Grace
(Arr. Jill Gallina)

The Chancel Choir & Jon Krueger, piano

† Sung Prayer of Dedication

#36 *For the Fruit of All Creation* (v. 1)

Prayers of the People

One: Lord, please listen to the prayers of your people...

One: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayers.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

† Hymn

#697 *Take My Life and Let It Be* (vv. 1, 2, 5 & 6)

Blessing & Benediction

Postlude

Meditation
(Rogerson)

Jon Krueger, piano

Today's Worship Leadership

Worship Leader: Rev. David Schell
Lector: Jean Herrick
Children's Message: Doug Meyers
Music Director: Wendy Treacher
Substitute Pianist: Jon Krueger
Hymn Leader: Chancel Choir
Sound Tech: Bill Loll
MediaShout: Chad Melton
Stream Tech: Katie Meyers
Prayer Recorder: Jean Herrick
Teller Team #4: Sharon Vanderpool, Dorothy Graham, Sue Leonard
Fellowship Hosts: Kevin & Terry Jo Rule

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Membership Directory project

Please submit a recent photo of your family or yourself or contact Katie in the office at 517-784-9175 or office@jacksonfirstpres.org to schedule a time to have your picture taken. If you need help navigating this process, please contact Katie!

Meal Train for Wendy & Randy Treacher

Carole Loll has organized a meal train for Wendy and Randy, and still needs volunteers to provide meals on three dates: Monday November 3, Friday November 7, and Wednesday November 12. Wendy and Randy ask that they not receive meals that are very spicy or high in carbohydrates. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Carole Loll at 517-782-9637.

Advent & Christmas Worship Arts Team!

We're seeking 2-3 volunteers to form a special team to help transform our sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas seasons!



Interested?
Talk to Jen!

COFFEE HOUR



following worship

We need hosts
for the month of
November!

Sign up on the
orange sheets
in the
Westminster
Room

Youth MOVIE Night

OCT. 24
6PM - 8PM

SAVE THE DATE!

Church Weekly Calendar

- Sunday, October 19**
10:00am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:00am Fellowship Time (Westminster Room)
11:30am Confirmation Meeting (Small Dining Room)
7:30pm N.A. Meeting (Small Dining Room)
7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)
8:15pm – 9:45pm AA 12 Step Workshop (Fellowship Hall)
- Monday, October 20**
9:00am – 4:00pm Karen's Quilting Group (Westminster Room)
10:30am Al-Anon Meeting (Library)
4:30 - 6:00pm Center Stage Youth (Fellowship Hall)
5:30pm – 7:00pm Confirmation Class (Small Dining Room)
7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 4312 (Activity Room)
7:30pm N.A. Meeting (Small Dining Room)
7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)
8:15pm – 9:45pm AA 12 Step Workshop (Fellowship Hall)
- Tuesday, October 21**
7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)
8:15pm – 9:45pm AA 12 Step Workshop (Fellowship Hall)
- Wednesday, October 22**
7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)
6:30pm Session Meeting
8:15pm – 9:45pm AA 12 Step Workshop (Fellowship Hall)
- Thursday, October 23**
4:30pm - 6:00pm Center Stage Youth (Fellowship Hall)
6:15pm - 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
7:00pm Nar-Anon Group (Library)
7:35pm - 8:35pm Handbell Rehearsal (Bells Room)
7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)
8:15pm – 9:45pm AA 12 Step Workshop (Fellowship Hall)
- Friday, October 24**
10:30am - 12pm Al-Anon Meeting (Library)
7:30pm N.A. Meeting (Small Dining Room)
7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)
8:15pm – 9:45pm AA 12 Step Workshop (Fellowship Hall)
- Saturday, October 25**
7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)
8:15pm – 9:45pm AA 12 Step Workshop (Fellowship Hall)